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ABSTRACT

Recipients of veteran benefits at community colleges in Hawaii comprised 24 percent of the spring 1975 enrollees. The proportion varied by campus from 15 percent at Kapiolani to 31 percent at Leeward and Kauai. Veterans differ from the student body as a whole in terms of credit load carried and educational objectives; this may be a result of the conditions upon which veteran benefits are granted: veterans must have definite educational goals and receive stipends depending upon the credit loads carried. Sixty-seven percent of the veterans, compared to 56 percent of all students, were full-time. While veteran part-time students carried heavier credit loads (7.3 compared to 6.3), full-time veteran students carried slightly lighter credit loads (13.5 compared to 14.1). The 45,826 Student Contact Hours generated by the veterans comprised 26 percent of the total SCH recorded for the spring semester. Ninety-five percent sought associate degrees, one percent sought certificates, and only four percent were unclassified (compared to 11 percent unclassified for the student body). Fifty-two percent of the veterans were liberal arts majors and 44 percent were vocational majors. Veterans were predominantly male, married, older, and residents of the area near the college they attended. A table of data is appended. (Author/DC)

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COMMUNITY COLLEGES
SPRING 1975

Various student groups have been identified for more detailed analysis in the past. This is a "first-time" study of those who receive financial recognition as veterans or dependents of veterans. It is not possible at this time to separate the two groups.

That this group is an important one is an understanding which emerges when the data are presented and analyzed. Its size encourages further study and attention.

Students included in this report are largely veterans of the Korean War and Vietnam War eras, with a few retirees from the armed forces as well as dependents of certain veterans.

Highlights

1. Recipients of veteran benefits comprised 24 percent of the spring enrollees. The proportions varied by campus, however, from 15 percent at Kapiolani to 31 percent at Leeward and Kauai Community Colleges.

2. Partly reflecting the conditions upon which veteran benefits are granted,* the veterans as a group differ from the student body as a whole in terms of credit load carried and educational objectives.

   a. A larger proportion, 67 percent, were full-time students (compared to 56 percent for the student body).

   b. While part-time students who were veterans carried heavier credit loads (7.3 compared to 6.3), full-time veteran students carried slightly lighter credit loads (13.5 compared to 14.1).

   c. The 45,826 SCH generated by the veterans comprised 26 percent of the total SCH recorded for the spring semester.

   d. A larger percentage had definite educational goals: 95 percent sought associate degrees; 1 percent, certificates;4 percent were unclassified (compared to 11 percent unclassified for the student body).

*Veterans are required to have educational goals. Further, the stipends veterans receive are dependent upon: full-time, three-fourth time, half-time status, and number of dependents.

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e. Fifty-two percent of the veterans were liberal arts majors, 44 percent, vocational majors. (Majors in the business program were the most numerous among the vocational students.)

3. In terms of student status:

   a. Sixty-eight percent were "continuing" (on campus last fall).

   b. Nineteen percent, 755, were "new".

   c. Of the new students, the majority were Hawaii high school graduates and over 80 percent were pre-1970 graduates of high schools.

   d. A greater proportion of the veterans who were "new" students:

      (1) had GEDs (17 percent compared to 8 percent)

      (2) were mainland high school graduates (22 percent compared to 20 percent.)

4. In terms of personal characteristics, the data substantiated what was generally surmised. Veterans were predominantly: male (92 percent); U.S. citizens (99 percent); Hawaii residents (97 percent); married (62 percent); older (mean age 31.3 years, compared to 25.3 for the student body); and residents of the area near the college they attended.

Summary

Recipients of veteran benefits comprised a substantial group at the community colleges this spring. What impact did the veterans make on the campus? What are the implications for student services? instructional methods? What further information is needed to develop programs in various areas which would be most fruitful for the veterans and for the institutions? What are the campuses doing about evaluating the veterans' previous experience and training?

TABLE I
VETERAN BENEFIT RECIPIENTS IN THE COMMUNITY COLLEGES
SPRING 1975

	TOTAL	Honolulu	Kapiolani	Kauai	Leeward	Maui	Windward
Spring Enrollment	16,418	3,547	3,641	1,060	5,928	1,238	1,004
V.B. Recipients	4,018	769	531	325	1,857	256	280
Percent of Spring Enrollment	(24%)	(22%)	(15%)	(31%)	(31%)	(21%)	(28%)

SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS OF VETERANS-BENEFIT RECIPIENTS
COMMUNITY COLLEGES
SPRING 1975

Note: Percentages have been rounded; will not always total 100.0 or the sum of the parts.

	TOTAL		HONOLULU		KAPIOLANI		KAUAI		LEEWARD		MAUI		WINDWARD	
BY SEX	4,018	100	769	100	531	100	325	100	1,857	100	256	100	280	100
Male	3,687	92	751	98	456	86	309	95	1,714	92	231	90	226	81
Female	331	8	18	2	75	14	16	5	143	8	25	10	54	19
BY DEGREE OBJECTIVE														
Associate in Arts	2,127	53	243	32	181	34	204	63	1,120	60	126	49	253	90
Associate in Science	1,660	42	489	65	264	50	94	29	723	39	90	35		
Certificate	61	1	18	1	27	5	3	1	2	<1	6	2	5	2
Unclassified	167	4	19	3	57	11	23	7	12	1	34	13	22	8
No Data	3	<1			2	<1	1	<1						
BY PROGRAM														
General & Pre-Prof	2,088	52	217	28	181	34	204	63	1,107	60	126	49	253	90
Vocational	1,760	44	533	69	291	55	97	30	738	40	96	38	5	2
Business	*788*				*221*		*24*		*496*		*42*		*5*	
Education	*101*		*26*						*75*					
Health	*20*				*17*		*2*				*1*			
Hotel & Food Service	*85*		*12*		*53*				*20*					
Public Services	*277*		*216*				*37*		*11*		*13*			
Technology	*489*		*279*				*34*		*136*		*40*			
Unclassified	167	4	19	3	57	11	23	7	12	1	34	13	22	8
No Data	3	<1			2	<1	1	<1						
BY FULL & PART-TIME STATUS														
Full-time	2,681	67	623	81	366	69	195	60	1,168	63	158	62	171	61
Part-time	1,328	33	146	19	164	31	130	40	681	37	98	38	109	39
No Data	9	<1			1	<1			8	<1				
BY SCH TAKEN														
Total SCH	45,826		9,784		6,174		3,574		20,267		2,971		3,056	
Full-time	36,131		8,627		4,999		2,543		15,432		2,222		2,308	
Part-time	9,695		1,157		1,175		1,031		4,835		749		748	
BY AVERAGE SCH TAKEN														
Total	11.4		12.7		11.6		11.0		11.0		11.6		10.9	
Full-time	13.5		13.8		13.7		13.0		13.2		14.1		13.5	
Part-time	7.3		7.9		7.2		7.9		7.1		7.6		6.9	
FTE COUNT	3,[illegible]5		652		412		238		1,351		198		204	
BY STUDENT STATUS														
Continuing	2,744	68	560	73	370	70	229	71	1,216	66	169	66	200	71
Returning	176	4	29	4	24	5	23	7	80	4	10	4	10	4
Readmit	2	<1			1	<1							1	<1
New	755	19	123	16	78	15	57	18	396	21	50	20	51	18
Transfer	338	8	56	7	57	11	16	5	164	9	27	11	18	6
No Data	3	<1	1	<1	1	<1			1	<1				
BY HIGH SCHOOL BACKGROUND*	755	100	123	100	78	100	57	100	396	100	50	100	51	100
Hawaii	425	56	73	59	47	60	39	68	203	51	39	78	24	47
Other (GEDs, Non-Grads)	129	17	22	18	9	12	7	12	78	20	5	10	8	16
U.S. Mainland	164	22	20	16	21	27	10	18	91	23	5	10	17	33
U.S. Possessions	2	<1							2	1				
Foreign	22	3	4	3	1	1	1	2	14	4	1	2	1	2
No Data	13	2	4	3					6	2			1	2
YEAR OF GRADUATION, HAWAII HIGH SCHOOLS**	425	100	73	[illegible]	47	100	39	100	203	100	39	100	24	100
1974-1970	66	16	17	23	11	23	4	10	24	12	5	13	5	21
Pre-1970	351	83	54	74	35	75	34	87	175	86	34	87	19	79
No Data	8	2	2	3	1	2	1	3	4	2				
BY MARITAL STATUS														
Single	1,327	33	306	40	260	49	78	24	473	26	112	44	98	35
Married	2,481	62	432	56	233	44	227	70	1,286	69	136	53	167	60
Other	207	5	29	4	[illegible]	7	19	6	98	5	8	3	15	4
No Data	3	<1	2	<1			1	<1						

*New students, only.
**Hawaii high school graduates, new students only.

TABLE II (Continued)

	TOTAL		HONOLULU		KAPIOLANI		KAUAI		LEEWARD		MAUI		WINDWARD	
BY CITIZENSHIP STATUS														
United States	3,979	99	760	99	525	99	322	99	1,840	99	255	100	277	99
Other	38	1	8	1	6	1	3	1	17	1	1	<1	3	1
No Data	1	<1	1	<1										
BY PERMANENT HOME ADDR														
Hawaii	3,901	97	751	98	519	98	323	99	1,799	97	251	98	258	92
Other	114	3	17	2	12	2	2	1	57	3	5	2	21	8
U.S. Mainland	*107*		*14*		*12*		*2*		*53*		*5*		*21*	
U.S. Possessions	*6*		*3*						*3*					
Foreign	*1*								*1*					
No Data	3	<1	1	<1					1	<1			1	<1
BY LOCAL ADDRESS														
Honolulu	1,369	40	499	65	445	84	*		405	22	**		20	7
Leeward	1,599	47	162	21	29	6			1,406	76			2	1
Windward	468	14	107	14	57	11			46	3			258	92
No Data	1	<1	1	<1										
BY AGE: MEAN AGE	31.3 yrs		30.0 yrs		29.1 yrs		30.5 yrs		33.2 yrs		28.7 yrs		30.0 yrs	
Under 18	7	<1	1	<1	1	<1	1	<1	4	<1				
18-19	148	4	13	2	49	9	4	1	40	2	12	5	30	11
20-21	145	4	31	4	27	5	5	2	53	3	15	6	14	5
22-24	553	14	132	17	89	17	39	12	207	11	54	21	32	11
25-29	1,258	31	302	39	185	35	120	37	483	26	86	34	82	29
30-34	631	16	116	15	63	12	77	24	302	16	34	13	39	14
35-59	1,258	31	170	22	114	22	78	24	760	41	54	21	82	29
Over 60	16	<1	4	1	3	1	1	<1	8	<1				
No Data	2	<1									1	<1	1	<1

*Lihue, 69, 21%; Kawaihau, 74, 23%; Waimea, 95, 29%; Koloa, 82, 25%; Hanalei, 4, 1%; No Data, 1, <1%.

**Kahului, 70, 27%; Wailuku, 54, 21%; Kihei, 16, 6%; Makawao, 67, 26%; Lahaina, 19, 7%; and Molokai, 30, 12%.

Sources: Special run of SER reports as of May 5, 1975 and veteran counselors at the campuses.

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